

**ELECTED RILEY COUNTY OFFICIALS  
1855 – 2017**

**Updated after the 2016 General Election**

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**RILEY COUNTY ASSESSORS  
1856 – 1865**

Condray, Henry	1861
Mobley, Daniel R.	1856 – 1857
Morris, John M.	1857 – 1859
Niehenke, Rudolph	1864 – 1865
Parrish, Lewis	1862 – 1863
Ryan, John P.	1860

**RILEY COUNTY ATTORNEY  
1857 – 2017**

Arthur, Charles S.	1951 – 1955	Irish Frank Leslie	1889 – 1891
Barry Abraham	1857 – 1860		1895 – 1899
Brock, Robert J.	1899- 1905	Johnston, A.M.	1921 – 1925
Burns, Alexander M.	1865 – 1866		1943 – 1945
Case, Aderial H.	1862 – 1863	<b>Kennedy, William</b>	1987 – 2005
Dougherty, Neil	1931 – 1933	Kimble, Samuel Jr.	1891 – 1895
Essick, Michael L.	1860 – 1862	<b>Knutson, Colt</b>	1985 – 1987
Evans, R.P.	1909 – 1913	<b>Miller, Paul E.</b>	1975 – 1976
Everett, Donn J.	1963 – 1967	<b>Morrison, James W.</b>	1973 – 1975
Fay, John C.	1967 – 1969	Pfuetze, Scott	1933 – 1939
Gage, Walter Reed	1925 – 1931	Rodkey, Clyde K.	1945 – 1947
Gilchrist, Charles K.	1864	<b>Rogers, Richard D.</b>	1955 – 1959
Green, George S.	1871 – 1872	<b>Sauter, Dennis C.</b>	1976 – 1981
Harlan, Hal E.	1917 – 1921	Smith, Gerald F.	1947 – 1951
Hessin, John Emmitt	1885 – 1886	<b>Socolofsky, Robert</b>	1981 – 1985
Hughes, Charles	1913 – 1917	Spilman, Robert B.	1868 – 1870
Hughes, Harold	1939 - 1942		1875 – 1885
Humphrey, James	1867	<b>Stites, John F.</b>	1959 – 1963
Hungerford, Darius	1887 – 1889	Storey, A.M.	1905 – 1909
<b>Innes, Ronald D.</b>	1969 - 1973	Walter, R.C.	1873 – 1874
		<b>Wilkerson, Barry</b>	2005 – Present

**RILEY COUNTY CLERK  
1855 – 2017**

Barkyoumb, Roy T.	1939 – 1944	King, Bertrice	1961 – 1969
Barner, Oliver C.	1886 – 1889	Lard, S.B.	1891 – 1892
Breese, Claude M.	1898 – 1907	Mitchell, Daniel	1857
Burgoyne, William	1872 – 1879	Penley, C.W.	1938 - 1939
Chapman, E.M.	1925 – 1931	Ratliff, W.L.	1944 – 1961
Coder, Wanda	1969 – 1989	Reynolds, John S.	1855 – 1856
<b>Colbert, Ilene</b>	1989 – 1997	Robinson, John W.	1857 – 1858
Davies, Edwin J.	1921 – 1925	Schermerhorn, F. A.	1880 – 1885
Guy, George F.	1890 – 1891	Snow, William M.	1858 – 1859
Harper, Robert J.	1860 – 1861	<b>Vargo, Rich</b>	1997 – Present
Hoyt, Samuel G.	1866 – 1871	Wood, Charles G.	1892 – 1895
Hungerford, George	1907 – 1917	Yenawine, W.R.	1917 – 1921
Huntress, Amasa	1862 – 1865	Young, James R.	1896 – 1898
Huse, E.E.	1931 – 1938		

**RILEY COUNTY COMMISSION  
1855 – 2017**

Allingham, Robert	1868 – 1869	<b>Guthals, (Lewis) David L.</b>	2011 – 2015
	1878 – 1879	Haines, Joe D.	1953 – 1965
Bayer, Henry B.	1957 – 1961	Haller, Otto Jr.	1941 – 1949
Blackman, A.N.	1927 – 1929	Hanson, John	1917 – 1925
Blake, Freeman N.	1858	Hess, James A.	1900 – 1907
Booth, Fox	1856	Hunter, William J.	1870 – 1873
<b>Boyd, Robert</b>	2013 - 2017	Hunting, Amory	1858
Chandler, Daniel L.	1873	Huntress, Amasa	1858 – 1859
Child, Seth Isaac	1864 – 1867	Huntress, Orville	1887 – 1890
Condray, John	1881 - 1885	Ingraham, Jesse	1858 – 1859
Condray, Mincher	1864 – 1867	Jepsen, Richard L.	1989 – 1993
Conwell, Floyd	1959 – 1967	Johnsmeyer, C. A.	1890 - 1893
Crafts, Frederick	1870	<b>Johnson, Alvan</b>	2001 – 2012
Davies, Edwin J.	1898 – 1901	Johnson, Clarence	1929 - 1931
Dyche, Calvin Moses	1878 – 1879	Johnson, Peter G.	1892 – 1895
Eastman, Charles E.	1874 – 1875	Jorgensen, O.M.	1949 – 1953
Foltz, Cyrus	1882 – 1883	<b>Kearns, Michael B.</b>	2003 – 2011
Frey, J.C.	1919 – 1927	Kidd, Wallace	1975 – 1981
Frey, Russ	1995 – 2003	Kress, Jonas C.	1858 – 1859
Gilbert, Washington	1857 – 1858	Kunze, Louis	1902 – 1905
Goode, C.L.	1930 – 1941		1909 – 1913
Grace, Cletus	1965 – 1975		

Lilley, Thomas N.	1857	<b>Rodriguez, Marvin</b>	2017 - Present
Long, Samuel	1878	Roesner, C.L.	1947 – 1959
Maxwell, Edward A.	1895 – 1898	Ryan, Joseph P.	1862 – 1863
<b>McCulloh, Karen</b>	1993 – 1997	Sand, Ivan	1949 – 1956
	2009 – 2013		1961 – 1977
Miller, John B.	1971 – 1975	Secrest, Edward	1868 – 1869
Mobley, Claiborne R.	1855	Sjo, John	1989 – 1993
Morris, E.E.	1905 – 1909	Smith, I.S.	1911 – 1919
Morse, Marjorie	1981 – 1989	St. John Ephraim	1884 – 1886
Myers, Joseph M.	1866 – 1870	St. John, Thaddeus	1874 – 1877
Newell, S.B.	1939 – 1947	Swenson, Alfred J.	1905 – 1909
Newsome, Bob	1997 – 2009	Swingle, John Fletcher	1891 – 1900
Nordstrom, John	1913 – 1917	Taylor, George	1858
Oldham, C.	1901 – 1905	Taylor, William W.	1870 – 1871
O'Malley, George W.	1913 – 1925	Thomas, Wilton B.	1987 – 1995
Oman, V.E.	1941 – 1949	Thompson, Clay	1855 ex-officio
Osbourn, Owen E.	1860 – 1861	Tidyman, Henry	1880 – 1892
Parker, D.E.	1975 – 1979	Toburen, August H.	1925 – 1937
Perry, P.M.	1925 – 1930	Todd, Ambrose	1862 – 1863
Peter, William F.	1896 – 1905	Toy, John	1931 – 1939
Phelps, Almon D.	1876 – 1877	Warner, Ephraim	1862 – 1865
Pickett, George	1872 – 1874	Weisner, George	1909 – 1913
Polson, Goerge T.	1874 – 1880	<b>Wells, Ron</b>	2013-Present
Powell, Johnathan E.	1893 – 1896	<b>Westervelt, Darrell</b>	1977 – 1989
<b>Rader, George Jr.</b>	1967 – 1971	Westover, Lorenzo	1857 – 1858
Randolph, John S.	1857	<b>Wilson, Ben</b>	2015 – Present
Reece, John A.	1886 – 1889	White, Stephen B.	1857
Reynolds, Thomas M.	1855 ex-officio	Whitson, John K.	1860 – 1861
Rich, William K.	1871 – 1872	Williams, James H.	1993 – 2001
Rieger, Rosalys	1979 – 1987	Yenawine, W.R.	1907 – 1911
Roepke, F.W.	1937 – 1941	Zeigler, Phillip W.	1879 - 1881

### RILEY COUNTY CORONER 1855 – 1965

Burliew, C.A.	1935 – 1937	Jones, William W.	1894 – 1897
Carleton, Alanson B.	1870 – 1871	Lagerstrom, F.G.	1900 – 1901
Clarkson, W.H.	1909- 1923	Lyman, Lewis J.	1886 – 1889
	1937 – 1951	Meier, Henry Amos	1884 – 1885
	1954 – 1957	Morgan, Benjamin F.	1890 – 1893
Colt, J.D.	1901 – 1909	Morton, H.B.	1898 – 1900
Condray, Henry	1857	Patee, Eliphalet L.	1872 – 1873
Higinbotham, W.P.	1874	Roberts, Hiram S.	1875 – 1883
Hostetler, Philip H.	1957 – 1965	Ryan, James E.	1929 – 1935
Ingraham, Jesse	1861 – 1869	Silverthorne, C.R.	1901

Smith, Robert K.	1951 – 1954	Todd, Ambrose	1858 – 1859
Sonnemaker, F.	1855	Whitney, Richard C.	1860
Southern, George W.	1923 – 1929		

**RILEY COUNTY PROBATE JUDGE  
1855 – 1879**

Barr, John T.	1924 – 1929	Randolph, John S.	1857
Davies, E.J.	1901 – 1909	Reynolds, Thomas	1855
Gilbert, Washington	1857 – 1858	Robertson, J.A.	1891 – 1894
Harper, Robert J.	1867 – 1878	Snow, William M.	1885 – 1886
Hungerford, Darius	1879 – 1884	Story, Alton M.	1895 – 1901
Johnson, Charles F.	1929 – 1939	Thompson, Clay	1855
<b>Mershon, Jerry L.</b>	1957 – 1979	Wells, Richard C.	1939 – 1941
Morris, Emerson E.	1909 – 1924	Westover, Lorenzo	1857 – 1858
Pfuetze, Scott	1941 – 1957	Wilder, George C.	1887 - 1890
Pipher, John R.	1859 – 1866		

**REGISTERS OF DEEDS  
1856 – 2017**

Beck, Muriel	1967 – 1971	Luehring, Iva L.	1961 – 1967
<b>Blankenhagen, Roxie</b>	1971- 1989	Manshardt, Charles L.	1907 – 1911
Cress, Alfred G.	1887- 1897	<b>Regester, Debbie</b>	2009 – Present
Crump, Henry C.	1874 – 1883	Romig, Fred C.	1933 – 1954
Davis, Marion M.	1898 – 1907	Rust, C.E.	1954 – 1961
Harper, Robert J.	1857 – 1861	<b>Shawver, Charlotte</b>	1989 – 2009
Hoyt, Samuel G.	1866 – 1873	Snow, William M.	1856 – 1857
Hungerford L. D.	1884 – 1887	Storey, Celeste	1915 – 1933
Huntress, Amasa	1862 – 1865	Winans, G.I.	1911 – 1915

**RILEY COUNTY SHERIFF  
1855 – 1972**

<b>Anderson, Wayne</b>	1969 – 1972	Briggs, Charles F.	1863
Barnes, C.W.	1941 - 1945	Brown, Jefferson D.	1874 – 1878
Bassett, William J.	1859	Butterfield, David A.	1857 – 1858
Boyle, J.G.	1907 – 1909	Davis, William H.	1857
Boyle, R.C.	1903 – 1907	Deckert, B.E.	1947 – 1951
	1919 – 1923		1955 – 1957

Docking, Marshall	1929 – 1933		1889 – 1893
Dyche, Calvin M.	1858 – 1859	Newell, Scott	1858
Finney, D.D.	1900 – 1903	Peck, John C.	1866 – 1869
Gillette, Lester A.	1897 – 1898	Peterson, Gilbert	1957 – 1961
Goode, Lee	1945 – 1947	Price, John T.	1855 – 1856
	1951 – 1955	Richter, E.W.	1933 – 1937
Haulenbeck, Gibson J.	1864 – 1865		1939 – 1941
Higinbotham, George	1860	Schermerhorn, Chas.	1909 – 1919
Houghton, Albert L.	1878 – 1881	Schermerhorn, Frank	1945
	1898 – 1900	<b>Tubach, James E.</b>	1965 – 1969
Hunter, W.A.	1923 – 1927	Van Antwerp, Jacob	1870 – 1873
Lard, Selden B.	1897	Watson, Clarence	1961 – 1965
Lock, John M. Jr.	1894 – 1897	Williams Stephen B.	1856 – 1857
Long, Samuel	1861 – 1863	Wolfenbarger, J.N.	1927 - 1929
McCord, Pinckney H.	1886 – 1888		
Myers, Joseph M.	1882 – 1885		

**RILEY COUNTY SUPERINTENDANT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION  
1860 – 1967**

Billings, James F.	1873 – 1880	Olson, Edmund E.	1891 – 1892
Carey, Reppie	1915 – 1927	Platt, Jeremiah E.	1865 – 1967
Engstrand, Agnes	1930 – 1944	Secrest, Madge L.	1944 – 1965
Gale, Elbridge	1869 – 1871	Spilman, Robert B.	1871 – 1873
Hepler, Alta S.	1927 – 1930	Swingle, Clarence G.	1893 – 1905
Lackey, J.M.	1863 – 1864	Thoman, William	1965 – 1967
Lee, James H.	1880 – 1891	Wetzig, Hannah	1905 – 1915
Lyman, Lewis J.	1867 – 1868	Wilcox, Horace A.	1864
Marlatt, Washington	1861 – 1862	Wilson, Davies	1862 - 1863
McCollom, William	1860		

**RILEY COUNTY SURVEYOR  
1857 – 1919**

Ashley, Harry O	1913		1915 – 1919
Furrow, Divania	1860	Olson, E.E.	1891 – 1892
Greeley, Clarence D.	1876 - 1877	Paul, Julius W.	1872 – 1875
Harris. T.C.	1876 – 1877		1878 – 1879
Harvey, James M. Jr.	1894 – 1896		1883 – 1891
Lee, James H.	1880		1896 – 1898
Mitchell, Daniel	1857 - 1858		1901 - 1909
Moses, Seymour D.	1881 – 1882	Pillsbury, Josiah H.	1865 – 1871
Noble, Oliver Ezra	1898 – 1901	Ross, W.D.	1909 – 1913

Schnebly, Joseph G.	1865	Whiting, Albe B.	1864
Taylor, George	1863 – 1864	Wilson, Davies	1861 - 1863
Walters, John D.	1892 – 1894		

**RILEY COUNTY TREASURER  
1855 – 2017**

Algott, Gladys M.	1955 – 1957	Johnson, Victor E.	1898 – 1903
Algott, Raymond F.	1951 – 1955	Kimball, John M.	1894 – 1896
Beck, Muriel	1961 – 1965	King, Bertrice	1957 – 1961
Blain, James W.	1874 – 1877	<b>King, Eileen</b>	<b>1985 – 2014</b>
Burgoyne, William	1882 – 1885	<b>(Resigned Aug. 2014)</b>	
Christensen, J.C.	1903 – 1907	Lowdermilk, Jacob	1896 – 1898
Condray, Henry	1857 – 1858	Lowman, Mary B.	1965 – 1985
Dean, Samuel	1855 – 1857	Morris John M.	1857
Diefendorf, H.	1915 – 1919		1870 – 1873
Fortner, James M.	1886 – 1889	Patee, Eliphalet L.	1864 – 1865
Goheen, S.F.	1907 – 1909	Rhodes, Viola	1927 – 1931
<b>Heger, Shilo</b>	<b>2014-Present</b>	Rhodes, Will H.	1923 – 1927
Hofman, Marjorie	1947 – 1951	Schmidt, Grace R.	1943 – 1947
Humphrey, James	1862 – 1863	Tennant, John	1878 – 1881
Hunter, Thomas W.	1890 – 1894	Toburen, S.F.	1909 – 1911
Hunting, Amory	1858 – 1861	Webster, Hall D.	1931 – 1935
Huntress, Amasa	1866 – 1869		1939 – 1943
Jennings, Leona M.	1919 – 1923	Wood, Charles G.	1889
Johnson, M. R.	1935 – 1939	Yenawine, W.R.	1911 - 1915

**RILEY COUNTY DISTRICT COURT  
1859 – 2014**

**DISTRICT COURT JUDGES  
1859 – 2009**

Austin, James H.	1874 – 1881	Dist. 8
Bennett, Edgar C.	1933 – 1951	Dist. 21
<b>Bosch, Paul</b>	2012-Present	Dist. 21, Position 1
<b>(Appointed to replace retired Paul Miller 2012)</b>		
Canfield, William	1870 – 1874	Dist 8
Elmore, Rush	1859 – 1860	Dist. 3
Gilchrist, Charles K.	1865 – 1867	Dist. 3
Glass, William S.	1898 – 1900	Dist. 21
Graham, Harlan W.	1981 – 1989	Dist. 21 Assoc. Judge Position 1
	1989 – 1999	Dist. 21 Position 3
Humphrey, James	1867 – 1870	Dist. 8

Innes, Ronald D.	1973 – 1977	Dist. 21 Division 2
	1975 – 1985	Dist. 21 Position 1
Irish, Frank	1900 – 1903	Dist. 21
Kimble, Samuel Jr.	1903 – 1915	Dist. 21
Martin, John	1883 – 1885	Dist. 3
McLaughlin, Lewis L.	1951 – 1975	Dist. 21
Menzie, Joseph W.	1967 – 1975	Dist. 21 Division 2
Mershon, Jerry L.	1981 – 1999	Dist. 21 Position 2
<b>Miller, Paul E.</b>	1985 – 2012	Dist. 21 Position 1 (retired in 2012)
Morton, John T.	1881 – 1883	Dist. 3
Safford, Jacob	1861 – 1865	Dist. 3
Smith, Fred M.	1915 – 1933	Dist. 21
Spilman, Robert B.	1885 – 1898	Dist. 21
<b>Stutzman, David L</b>	1999 – Present	Dist. 21 Position 3
<b>Wilson, Meryl D.</b>	1999 – Present	Dist. 21 Position 2

**CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT  
1859 – 1977**

Bower, William H.	1862 – 1866
Campbell, George S.	1889 – 1890
Deputy, Delmar E.	1893 – 1901
Harper, Robert J.	1867 – 1888
Horton, Nathaniel D.	1861
Houghton, Ruth	1973 – 1977
Lard, Selden B.	1891 – 1892
McArthur, Laomi	1860 – 1861
McColloch, R.P.	1924 – 1927
McCord, Hal Sr.	1935 – 1939
Musil, Joseph T.	1939 – 1973
Patterson, Joseph D.	1859 – 1862
Spilman, Robert B.	1901 – 1923
Wood, C.E.	1927 - 1935